SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 361 By Person

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Roberts V. Weaver, Jr., upon his election as President of the Automotive Trade Association Executives.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who, through talent and dedication, have reached the very pinnacle of their respective professions; and

WHEREAS, one such praiseworthy citizen is Roberts V. "Bob" Weaver, Jr., executive president and lobbyist for the Tennessee Automotive Association; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 1996, Mr. Weaver was sworn in as President of the Automotive Trade Association Executives, an international organization which represents the interests of new automobile and truck dealers on national, state and local levels; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure on Capitol Hill, Bob Weaver has earned the universal admiration and respect of legislators, government officials and his peers alike as a result of his impeccable conduct and consummate professionalism; and

WHEREAS, an active participant in the legislative process since 1979, Bob Weaver has excelled in various roles and has earned his stellar reputation as a lobbyist of the utmost integrity, probity and acumen; and

WHEREAS, before joining the Tennessee Automotive Association, Bob Weaver served with distinction as legislative liaison for Governor Lamar Alexander and also turned in his usual brilliant performance as Assistant Commissioner of the Department of Revenue; and

WHEREAS, from 1985 to 1987, Mr. Weaver served adroitly and with proficiency as one of the three members of the Tennessee Board of Review for the Department of Employment

Security, the appellate board that hears contested unemployment compensation claims in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, an honors graduate of East Tennessee State University, where he earned a degree in business administration, Bob Weaver attended the University of Tennessee Law School, graduated from the Nashville School of Law and practiced law in his hometown of Knoxville before joining TAA; and

WHEREAS, in 1979, he was first in his class as a graduate of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his professional excellence, Bob Weaver is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife, Julie Barber Weaver, a highly successful and respected lobbyist in her own right; and

WHEREAS, because of his friendly demeanor and superior performance, Bob Weaver has forged many lasting relationships on Capitol Hill, and we, his friends, wish to congratulate him on this most recent in a long list of accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Roberts V. "Bob" Weaver, Jr., on his recent election as President of the Automotive Trade Association Executives, commend his outstanding legislative work and his meritorious service to Tennessee, and wish him much continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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